

Muscoy MAC Meeting Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 15, 2007

Council Members Present:

Larry Claunch	Gloria Dickey	Anna Duarte	Vanney Mayberry
Kay Sanders	Jerry Smith	Lia Tinker	

The meeting was called to order by Council Chair Duarte at 7:03 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

Council Member Dickey moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting with the clarification of the Darby Lane Project questions included from the list composed by Chairwoman Duarte. Council Member Claunch seconded the motion and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Non-Action Items

A. Sheriff's Department – Service Specialist Kathy Gray

Ms. Gray presented the crime statistics for the month of April:

Total calls for service: 861; Total report calls: 132; 2 – Malicious Vandalism, 6 – Stolen Vehicles, 11 – Recovered stolen vehicles, 16 – property crimes/ID theft/grand theft/, 3 – miscellaneous reports/lost property, 12 – crimes against person's/attempted murder/assault, 9 – miscellaneous reports/missing & returned persons/ runaway juvenile, 57 – arrests.

B. County Code Enforcement – Scott Vahovick, Code Enforcement Officer

Mr. Vahovick informed the residents that the County Weed Abatement Program's general guidelines stipulates that residents should keep the length of their grass at 4 inches or less.

Code Enforcement is working with the Sheriff's Department to enforce illegal to occupy notices issued by the county. They are operating at night and have made several arrests throughout the 5th District.

Code Enforcement is responsible for enforcing the county's health and development codes. If residents have questions or complaints they may contact County Code Enforcement at (909) 387-4044.

C. California Highway Patrol – Officer Joe Ramos

Officer Ramos was unable to attend the meeting. 5th District Field Representative announced that if residents have questions or a complaint for CHP they may contact the front desk officer at (909) 383-4247.

Action Items

None

NEW BUSINESS

Non-Action Items

A. Street Light Election – Special Districts, Pam Vandervoort

Ms. Vandervoort provided the statistics for the streetlight special election:

	2,216 mailed ballots
	597 returned ballots
	532 qualified ballots
<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
315 (59%)	217(41%)

Special Districts will present an item to the Board of Supervisors on June 5th. Special Districts anticipates having the lights installed by November of 2007.

B. Darby Lane Project – Doug Wilson

Mr. Wilson addressed the questions and concerns raised by residents and the MAC.

The project will require mitigation land set aside for the Kangaroo Rat. At this time it is unclear how much or where; that information will be determined by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

Mr. Wilson clarified that the project will include 250 single-family detached units. The master plan utilizes a condominium map but the project will contain no condominium units.

Action Items

None

REPORTS

5th District Field Representative – Frances Vasquez

Street Lights – Supervisor Gonzales acknowledges the MAC and the Muscoy community for declaring their voice through their vote to support streetlights for Muscoy on April 27. The Supervisor is proud of the community's determination to take care of yourselves and speak up for what you need. She appreciates your efforts to promote safety. The Supervisor is going to appoint a citizens sub-committee to assist Special Districts with implementation of the streetlight plan.

Danny & Angelica Flores, Muscoy residents are both being honored by the County Tobacco Use Reduction Now (TURN) Program for their volunteer advocacy work. In 1998, they embraced the "*tobacco-free cars save lives*" message and Institutionalized it through their "*Salute to the Route 66*" activities. Mr. & Mrs. Flores continue to display their "*Tobacco-Free Cars Save Lives! Tobacco Use Reduction Now*" banner at Community events and at the Annual Veteran's Day Celebration held in San Bernardino. Their advocacy, along with the distribution of tobacco prevention information and promotional items, has helped influence tobacco-free car policies in the County of San Bernardino. Thank you and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Flores.

CHP Officer Joe Ramos was not able to attend the meeting. The San Bernardino CHP will be getting five new officers, however two will be leaving. That will leave them with three

officers. That means more officers out on patrol. They still send officers out into Muscoy on regular beat coverage and on grant overtime. If they continue to have problem areas, please call the CHP office at **(909) 383-4247** and ask for the traffic complaint officer.

WE TIP - San Bernardino County rolled out a comprehensive program to curb illegal dumping in unincorporated communities, including Muscoy, Arrowhead Farms, Bloomington, and North Norton. The Board of Supervisors have approved a contract with We Tip Inc. to manage a \$25,000 reward program to encourage residents to report persons who trash their neighborhoods.

Illegal Dumping Ordinance – The Board adopted an illegal dumping ordinance that establishes fines for illegal dumping. Under the illegal dumping ordinance, any person who illegally dumps waste matter or causes, maintains and/or permits waste matter to be illegally dumped in an unincorporated area is guilty of an infraction. Any person illegally dumping or causing, maintaining and/or permitting the illegal dumping of waste generated by business and any person illegally dumping at least one cubic yard of waste is guilty of a misdemeanor.

To improve the illegal dumping ordinance's effectiveness, Supervisor Gonzales proposed the expansion of the use of surveillance cameras and the establishment of a \$25,000 reward program. The cameras are serving double duty in that they have helped identify people who commit acts of graffiti.

Residents who witness illegal dumping in unincorporated communities will be rewarded up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the identification and/or arrest and conviction of an illegal dumper. Citizens may provide information immediately by calling We Tip at: (800) 78-CRIME or by submitting information online at www.wetip.com.

Community Calendar - Supervisor Gonzales has a community calendar link on her County website. She welcomes Fifth District non-profit organizations to submit information on public events for posting on this site.

Fifth District Graffiti Hotline: Residents may call toll-free for **1-877-44-ABATE** for graffiti abatement services. The contract covers all and only properties located within the County 5th District unincorporated areas. The contract will allow the vendor to abate graffiti located on private property with written consent from the property owner. The current response time for graffiti complaints is 48 hours.

County E-mail updates on news and events - Anyone with an e-mail address can automatically receive timely updates on San Bernardino County news, events, and services completely free of charge through the county website at www.sbcounty.gov. Subscribers will receive e-mail notifications when information is added to select web sites.

Public Events

Tattoo Removal Program - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center. The clinic is being offered to juveniles 15-18 years old. It is free to juveniles referred by the Probation Dept. Parents/guardians must accompany the youth. For information, contact Bill Woods at 909 580-3216.

Sunday, May 20, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Free Family Health Clinic will be held at Lytle Creek Elementary School located at 275 South K Street, San Bernardino. This free clinic is for people who do not have health insurance or the means to pay for health care.

Free services include: internal medicine; women and children's medical health care; ear, nose and throat medical services; blood sugar and cholesterol screenings; dental services; alternative medicine and acupuncture. In addition, free haircuts will also be available. The Tzu Chi Foundation is partnering with the Lucky Farms, Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino, San Bernardino City Unified School District, Loma Linda University Medical Center, the Colton Joint Unified School District, and other community organizations. For info. call Anna Valerio at (909) 388-6382.

Wednesday, May 23, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Arrowhead Credit Union Park. The County Economic Development Agency, in conjunction with the Inland Empire 66ers, is hosting a free Opportunity Job Fair. Over 90 businesses will offer a variety of entry-level to professional positions in fields such as clerical, warehouse, manufacturing, retail, sales, security, and much more.

Saturday, June 23, 2007 – 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Come Play on the Freeway: The Finale! So far, they have 83 classic cars registered, and are looking for more. People may sign up for the 5K and 10K runs and walks, the munchkin half-milers and the 5-mile and 10-mile bike rides. There will be plenty to see and do – including live music, a rock-climbing walls, maps and exhibits, a food court, vendors, a skateboarding demo, bounce houses for kids, and of course, the official ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony in honor of the late Congressman George E. Brown, Jr. Public entrance will be available on the Route 210 ramps at Riverside and Ayala Avenues in Rialto.

MAC MEMBER REPORTS:

Council Member Larry Claunch

He reported earlier on the status of CERT and the Blake Little League Project.

Council Member Gloria Dickey

No Report

MAC Chair Anna Duarte

No Report

Council Member Vanney Mayberry

No Report

Council Member Kay Sanders

No Report

Council Member Jerry Smith

No Report

Council Member Lia Tinker

No Report

Public Comments:

None

The meeting was adjourned to the next MAC meeting scheduled for June 19, 2007 at 7:00 pm at Muscoy Fire Station # 75, 2852 Macy Street.

Submitted by: Dan Flores – Muscoy MAC Secretary (909) 387-4565